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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A seat security arrangement for a vehicle seat occupant

sitting on a vehicle seat, the vehicle seat having a seat back and an outboard side and an inboard side located interiorly of the outboard side, the arrangement comprising:

a three-point safety belt having one extent forming a shoulder belt that extends from the outboard side of the vehicle seat to restrain one shoulder of the seat occupant and another extent forming a lap belt which extends across the abdomen of the seat occupant;

a two-point safety belt extending from the inboard side of the vehicle seat past the respective shoulder of the seat occupant not restrained by the three-point safety belt and thereafter crossing the shoulder belt of the three-point safety belt; and

a support device located in the respective region of the seat back turned toward the inboard side of the vehicle seat, the support device extending in the direction of the vehicle's forward travel so as provide lateral support to the upper torso of the seat occupant, wherein the support device is configured as a frame which is mounted on the seat back laterally thereof, and wherein the support device is movable between a non-deployed position and a deployed support position, the

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support device assuming its deployed support position in the event of a detected impact against the vehicle.

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (canceled)

5. (currently amended) An arrangement according to Claim [[4]] 1, wherein the support device is configured as a frame that, in its non-deployed position, assumes a rearward position with respect to the seat back and, in the event of an impact, is displaceable forwardly via a displacement movement into its deployed support position.

6. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the support device includes a belt guide for guiding the shoulder belt of the two-point safety belt.

7. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the support device includes an integrated airbag module with an airbag that unfolds out of the support device in the event of an impact.

8. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the support device is configured to yield.

9. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the support device includes a bracket that secures the support device to the seat back of the vehicle seat and the bracket is configured to yield.

10. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 1, wherein the support device is configured as an airbag that unfolds out of a side region of the seat back in a forward direction in the event of a detected impact.

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11. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 10 wherein an airbag module that comprises the airbag is mounted on the side wall of the seat back and the airbag module further comprises a gas generator associated with the airbag for providing expansion gas thereto.

12. (original) An arrangement according to Claim 10, wherein the airbag module includes a housing in which the airbag is housed in its non-deployed folded condition, the housing having a cover hingedly connected thereto which opens in connection with the deployment of the airbag and the cover is configured such that the cover provides, after its opening, an additional lateral support for the airbag.